

A P U B L I C A T I O N,

Of the Royal Authority, of the most Serene, most Mighty, and most August Monarch, JAMES the Seventh, by the Grace of God, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c.

The Earl of Perth, Lord High Chancellor.
The Lord Archbishop of St. Andrews.
The Duke of Queensberry, L. High Treasurer.
The Lord Arch-bishop of Glasgow.
The Lord Marquis of Athol, Lord Privy Seal.
The Lord Duke of Hamilton.
The Lord Marquess of Douglas.
The Earl of Drumlanrig.
The Earl of Wintoun.

The Earl of Linlithgow, Lord Justice-general. L. Advocat.
The Earl of Sutherland. L. Justice-Clerk.
The Earl of Panmure. L. Castlehill.
The Earl of Tweedale. General Lieutenant Drummond.
The Earl of Balcarres. Drumelzeer.
The Lord Tester. Abbotsball.
The Lord Kinnaird. Colonel Graham of Claver-houſe.
L. President of the Session. Goffſoord
L. Register.



Whereas it hath pleased the Almighty GOD, to Call CHARLES the Second, Our late Sovereign Lord, of Glorious and ever Blessed Memory, from a Temporary Crown, to Inherit an Eternal in the Heavens; Whereby the undoubted Right of Succession, to Him, in the Imperial Crown of This Realm, was immediately Devolved on the Sacred Person of His Royal, and Dearst Brother, Our present Sacred Sovereign (whom GOD long preserve.) Therefore We, the Lords of His Majesties Privy Council, Authorized in that Capacity, by His Majesties Royal Letter, bearing Date at Whitehall, the sixth Day of February instant, Do, with the Concurrence of Several other Lords, Spiritual, and Temporal, Barons, and Burgeses of this Realm, Hereby Declare, and Proclaim to all the World, That Our Sovereign Lord JAMES the Seventh, is by Lawful and undoubted Succession and Descent, KING of Scotland, England, France, and Ireland, and the Dominions thereunto-belonging, Defender of the Faith, &c. (Whom GOD preserve and Bless with a Long, Glorious, Happy Life and Prosperous Reign) And whom We shall humbly Obey, Dutifully and Faithfully Serve, Maintain and Defend, with Our Lives and Fortunes against all Deadly, as Our only Righteous King and Sovereign, over all Persons, and in all Causes, as Holding His Imperial Crown from GOD alone. And for Testification whereof, We here, in presence of the Almighty God, and a great number of His Majesties Faithful People, of all Estates and Qualities, who are assisting with Us, at this Solemn Publication, of Our Due, Humble, and Faithful Acknowledgement of his Supream Sovereign Authority, at the Mercat Cross of the City of Edinburgh, Declare and Publish, That Our said Sovereign Lord, by the Goodness and Providence of Almighty GOD, is of Scotland, England, France, and Ireland, and Dominions thereunto-belonging, The most POTENT, MIGHTY, and undoubted KING. And hereby give Our Oaths, with up-lifted Hands, that We shall bear True and Faithful Allegiance, unto Our said Sacred Sovereign, JAMES the Seventh; King of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. And to His Lawful Heirs and Successors, and shall perform all Duties, Service, and Obedience to him, as becomes His Faithful, Royal, and Dutiful Subjects. So help Us GOD.

Per actum Dominorum Secreti Concilii.
WILL. PATERSON, Cls. Sti. Concilii.

GOD Save King JAMES the Seventh.

By the King.

JAMES R.

JAMES the Seventh, by the Grace of GOD, King of Scotland, England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all and sundry Our good Subjects whom these Presents do or may concern, Greeting. Whereas it hath pleased GOD this day to call out of this Life, from the possession of an Earthly Diadem, to the fruition of an Eternal Crown of Glory, His late Majesty Our Royal and most dearly beloved Brother Charles the Second; We have thought fit to publish Our Royal Pleasure, That all Our Officers of State, Privy-Councillors, Magistrates, and all other Officers whatsoever, both Civil and Military within Our Ancient Kingdom of Scotland, do, and they and every one of them respectively, are hereby Authorized and Required to Act in all things conform to the late Commissions and Instructions they had from His said late Majesty of Blessed Memory, until new Commissions from Us can be prepared and sent down to them. And for their so doing, This shall be to them, and every one of them respectively, a full Warrant.

Given under Our Royal Hand, at Our Court at Whitehall, the Sixth day of February 1685. And of Our Reign the First Year.

By His MAJESTY's Command,
Jo. DRUMMOND.

Edinburgh, the 10th of February, 1685.

Ordered by His Majesties Privy-Council of Scotland, that this Proclamation be forthwith Printed and Published.

Extracted by me Colin Mckenzie,
Cl. Sti. Concilii.